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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Thirty-one (31) pages
- Five (5) sheets formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority

Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No. 2002-283567 filed in JAPAN on September 27, 2002.

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